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SUBJECT:SMITHSONIAN - 1978 ICBP MEETING IN EAST GERMANY

REFERENCE: JUNE 29 LETTER SMITHSONIAN SECRETARY RIPLEY TO
AMBASSADOR COOPER

1. ON BEHALF OF INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR BIRD PRESERVATION
SMITHSONIAN SECRETARY S. DILLON RIPLEY WHO IS ALSO ICBP
PRESIDENT ASKED AMBASSADOR COOPER TO EXPLORE WITH DDR
AUTHORITIES THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING THE NEXT
QUADRENNIAL INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF THE ICBP IN EAST
GERMANY SOMETIME IN THE SUMMER OF 1978.

2. RIPLEY RECENTLY MET IN WASHINGTON WITH AMBASSADOR
COOPER AND BOTH PAID CALL ON EAST GERMAN AMBASSADOR SIEBER
TO ACQUAINT HIM OF ICBP PROPOSAL.

3. AMBASSADOR MENTIONED TO RIPLEY THAT HE HAD MET WITH
DDR OFFICIALS JUST PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FROM BERLIN, AND
HAD DICTATED A LETTER TO RIPLEY BRINGING HIM UP TO DATE
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ON THE DDR REACTION. RIPLEY HAS NOT, HOWEVER, RECEIVED THIS

LETTER AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY FORWARDING ANOTHER

COPY TO HIM AT THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, WASHINGTON
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